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Lesson 5: We Are

MATERIALS

Flash cards:
am, are, in

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complete set

Practice sheet

High-Frequency
word book

Game cards;
Flash cards:
*am, are, in, look,
at, we*

High-Frequency
word book

Introduce the Words



3–5 minutes

Say: *We use some words a lot when we read and write. We call these words high-frequency words. Today you are going to learn three new high-frequency words: am, are, and in. We will also review words you have learned in other lessons.*

Hold up each word one at a time and tell the child the word. Then mix up the cards and ask the child to read each word without your help. Repeat.

Use each new word in an oral sentence, one at a time: *I am hungry. We are playing ball. She is in the car.* Ask the child to clap when he/she hears a high-frequency word. After you say each sentence, ask the child to think of a sentence with the high-frequency word.

Add the rest of the high-frequency words to the stack. Flash the cards several times and have the child say the words as quickly as he/she can.

Practice Writing the Words



5–10 minutes

Guide the child as he/she practices writing each new word on the practice sheet and using it in a sentence.

Read the High-Frequency Word Book



5–10 minutes

Give the child the book and ask: *What is the title of the book? What is on the cover? What do you think the book will be about?*

Turn to the title page. Ask: *Where are the animals? Now what do you think the book is about?*

Ask the child to turn to the next page and say: *Let's read the words together.* Ask the child to point to each word on the page as the two of you read together. Guide the child's finger if he/she has trouble pointing to the right words. Point out that a picture names the last word.

Next, ask the child to read the words on the page alone as he/she points to each word. Repeat this procedure with each page. After the last page, say: *You did very well. Now I want you to read the whole book to me.*

Play the High-Frequency Word Game



5–10 minutes

Place the letter cards and the flash cards face up on the table. Ask the child to make as many of the high-frequency words as he/she can in one minute. Have the child repeat the exercise to see if he/she can beat his/her time.

Home Connection

Encourage the child to take the book home to read to a parent or sibling. Emphasize the importance of practice. You can also suggest the child look through newspapers or magazines at home and highlight the high-frequency words learned in the lesson.



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I can write words.

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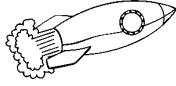
in in

are are

I can make sentences.

We _____ in a  boat .

I _____ in the  park .

I am _____ a  spaceship .



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